CHANGE OF ADDRESS FOR IRS WEB SITE

WASHINGTON --The Internal Revenue Service's award-winning Web site has a shorter, easier to remember address — www.irs.gov. As a convenience, those who may have bookmarked the previous address (www.irs.ustreas.gov) will continue to be linked to the site.

Since its inception in January 1996, the IRS Web site has had nearly two billion hits — more than 900 million in 1999 alone. The bulk of Web site hits occur during the January to April filing season. However, useful information is at the users' fingertips year round. For example:

- Curious about the 2000 filing season? See draft tax forms and send the IRS comments about them through the Web site.
- Interested in how the IRS is changing? Stay up to date on the agency-wide modernization effort through links from the Commissioner's page.
- Employed for the first time? Learn about tax obligations by visiting the site's "TAX interactive" feature. "TAXi" helps put the American tax system in context and explains various tax terms for young people.
- Want to know whether a group is eligible to receive tax-deductible contributions? Search through a list of qualified charitable organizations.
- Can't pay right away? Use an interactive calculator to figure a monthly payment amount and print out an installment agreement request form.
- Working as a tax return preparer? Find the latest IRS guidance, subscribe to email services or obtain details about educational opportunities, such as the upcoming Tax Professional Symposium.

In addition, the IRS Web site is a source for hundreds of tax forms and publications that may be downloaded free of charge. The site's "Newsstand" features agency news releases and fact sheets, and the "Index of Problem Alerts" gives prompt information on problems that have surfaced and what the IRS is doing about them.